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RE: REPLY TO JULY 18, 2006 RESTRICTION
FOR: SERIAL NUMBER 10/709,081; ART UNIT 3641; FILED 09/07/2004;
TITLE: FIREARM PROJECTILE APPARATUS, METHOD, AND PRODUCT BY PROCESS
EXAMINER: JAMES S BERGIN

Dear Sir:

In reply to the above-referenced restriction, applicant hereby elects group I, containing claims 1-87.

On July 26, 2006, applicant's counsel conferred by telephone with examiner Bergin, and agreement was reached to modify the species and sub-species restrictions (point 14 of the restriction), which counsel looks forward to seeing confirmed in a forthcoming interview summary from examiner Bergin.

In particular, it was agreed that Species B includes the embodiment of Figure 7 insofar as this embodiment, like that of Figures 17 and 18, is used to create a filled (versus unfilled) chamber cavity, see paragraph 93. It was further agreed that species C includes the embodiment of Figure 19 insofar as this embodiment employs a discarding pressure shield, see paragraph 95 (sic, insofar as the reference in the third sentence, to Figure 18, should refer to Figure 19). Finally, it was agreed that there is now added a new sub-species e, for the embodiment depicted in Figure 19, insofar as this figure discloses a pressure shield comportion a "solid, porous material," see paragraph 96.

As to species and subspecies, applicant hereby elects species A, drawn to Figures 1-6 and 8-10, and applicant hereby elects subspecies e, drawn to a pressure shield embodiment comprising a "solid, porous material" as in Figure 19.

The following claims are generic to all species and subspecies: 1-14, 22-26, 44-51, 56-61, 64-66, 68-80, 85.

The following claims read on elected species A and are generic to all subspecies: 15, 20, 27, 28, 33-37, 62, 67, 86.

The following claims read on elected sub-species e, and are generic to all species: 19, 43, 55, 84.

The following claim reads on both elected species  ${\tt A}$  and elected subspecies e:  $32\,$ 

Applicant hereby requests further examination of this application based on the elections made herein.

Very Truly Yours,

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